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Amendments to the Drawings

Applicant has submitted a replacement sheet for drawing sheet 2 of 3. Inadvertent text that was included in the drawing sheet as originally filed has been removed in the replacement sheet. No substantive changes were made to the drawings and no new matter is added. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to accept the replacement sheet and to withdraw the drawing objection.

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Notice states that a previously submitted drawing sheet, intended to serve as a replacement sheet for originally submitted drawing Sheet 2 of 3, was non-compliant because the drawing sheet was not labeled "REPLACEMENT SHEET" as required by 37 CFR 1.121(d). (The submitted sheet was labeled "PROPOSED REPLACEMENT SHEET"). In response, Applicant has submitted a drawing sheet labeled REPLACEMENT SHEET. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to accept and enter the Replacement Sheet and to continue with the prosecution of the Application.

CONCLUSION

Applicant believes that this response includes a reply to each ground of objection and rejection set forth in the Notice. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to allow the pending claims and advance the application to issue. If the Examiner has any questions, comments, or suggestions, the undersigned attorney would welcome and encourage a telephone conference at 512,428,9872.

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